GENERAL PARK REGULATIONS

CAPITOL REEF NATIONAL PARK

- 1. Leave plants, plant parts, animals, animal parts, fossils, mineral resources and archaeological resources in their natural state. It is prohibited to possess, destroy, injure, deface, remove, dig or disturb any item from its natural state.
- 2. Carrying or possessing firearms in park facilities is prohibited. Using a weapon, trap, or net in the park is prohibited. Weapons include firearms, bows and arrow, and slingshots. The carry of firearms must be in compliance with State of Utah law.
- 3. View wildlife from a safe distance. Feeding, touching, teasing, frightening, or intentionally disturbing wildlife is prohibited. The use of wildlife calls and the viewing of wildlife by spot lights is prohibited.
- 4. Pets must be kept under physical restraint at all times. Pet leashes may be no longer than six feet in length. Pets may not be left unattended while tied to an object. Pets are not allowed on park trails (with the exception of the trail between the visitor center and the campground) or outside the road corridor.
- 5. Fires are only allowed in designated camping and picnic areas and in provided fire grates or in portable fire pans capable of containing all ash and residue.
- 6. Vehicles must remain on established roads or pullouts. Parked vehicles must not obstruct roads.
- 7. All roads are closed to the use of Off- Highway Vehicles which includes ATVs, OHVs, Razers, dune buggies, whether street legal or not.
- 8. The speed limit on the Scenic Drive is 25 MPH except through the picnic area/campground area where it is 15 MPH. The speed limit for Capitol Gorge, Grand Wash, and Pleasant Creek Road is 15 MPH. The speed limit for the campground is 5 MPH and for Highway 24 it is 45 MPH from the visitor center to the east boundary and 55 MPH from the visitor center to the west boundary.
- 9. Bicycles are prohibited off road or on any park trails except the trail between the visitor center and the campground.
- 10. Horses and pack stock are allowed in most places in the park. Check with the park for closed areas and special regulations. Overnight trips require a backcountry permit.
- 11. Camping is by permit with the exception of the Cedar Mesa and Cathedral Campgrounds. Check at the visitor center or campground for specific regulations.

- 12. The Fremont River Waterfall is permanently closed.
- 13. Rock climbing is allowed except on any natural arch or bridge, within 300 feet of any archaeological site, or within ¼ mile of any nesting eagle, hawk, owl, or falcon. The placement of any new bolts or fixed hardware is prohibited.
- 14. Orchard fruits may be gathered and consumed free of charge in the orchard. A fee will be charged for fruit removed from the orchards. Tree climbing is prohibited in the orchards. Commercial resale is prohibited without a permit.